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5 August 1954

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Dear John:

Your letter of 20 July 1954 has been given careful study by members of my staff and in general we agree that it is undesirable to be dependent on NHK's translations. We also recognize the possibility that significant material might not be submitted in script form or that scripts might be submitted that had not been broadcast.

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While I do not think we are in a position to immediately discontinue the use of NHK scripts, I think that we can move toward that objective and take some positive steps at once. I am attaching a copy of my letter to [] Chief of the Tokyo Bureau, in which we have asked for a greater amount of monitored NHK material. I shall be interested to have your observations on progress made under this new system from time to time.

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The problem of the Army turning over the defense of Hokkaido to the Japanese has presented certain problems to us but we are not planning any move for the time being. I think it likely that some of the Camp Crawford facilities will be retained by the Air Force which operates at Chitose and that we will be allowed to remain on the premises.

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I think that our problems in Cyprus are being taken care of one way or another and I saw a copy of [] letter to Mr. [] saying that he anticipated no great difficulty in getting us exempted from the normal licensing requirements.

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We are all looking forward to [] visit in September and Mr. [] is making the necessary arrangements at this time. I think I messaged Roland reminding him that you had offered to give us a letter to the effect that [] has been cleared by British Security so that we can arrange for him to visit commercial plants engaged in work on classified defense projects. This letter will also facilitate our securing a building pass for [] to use while he is in Washington.

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I am presently engaged in an investigation of the communications from Okinawa to here and to London. It is much too early to be optimistic but I hope that the results of the investigation will be faster and more dependable service to us both.

Sincerely,

Chief, FBIS

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Enclosure:

Letter to Chief, Tokyo Bureau from
Chief, FBID dtd 5 August 1954.

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